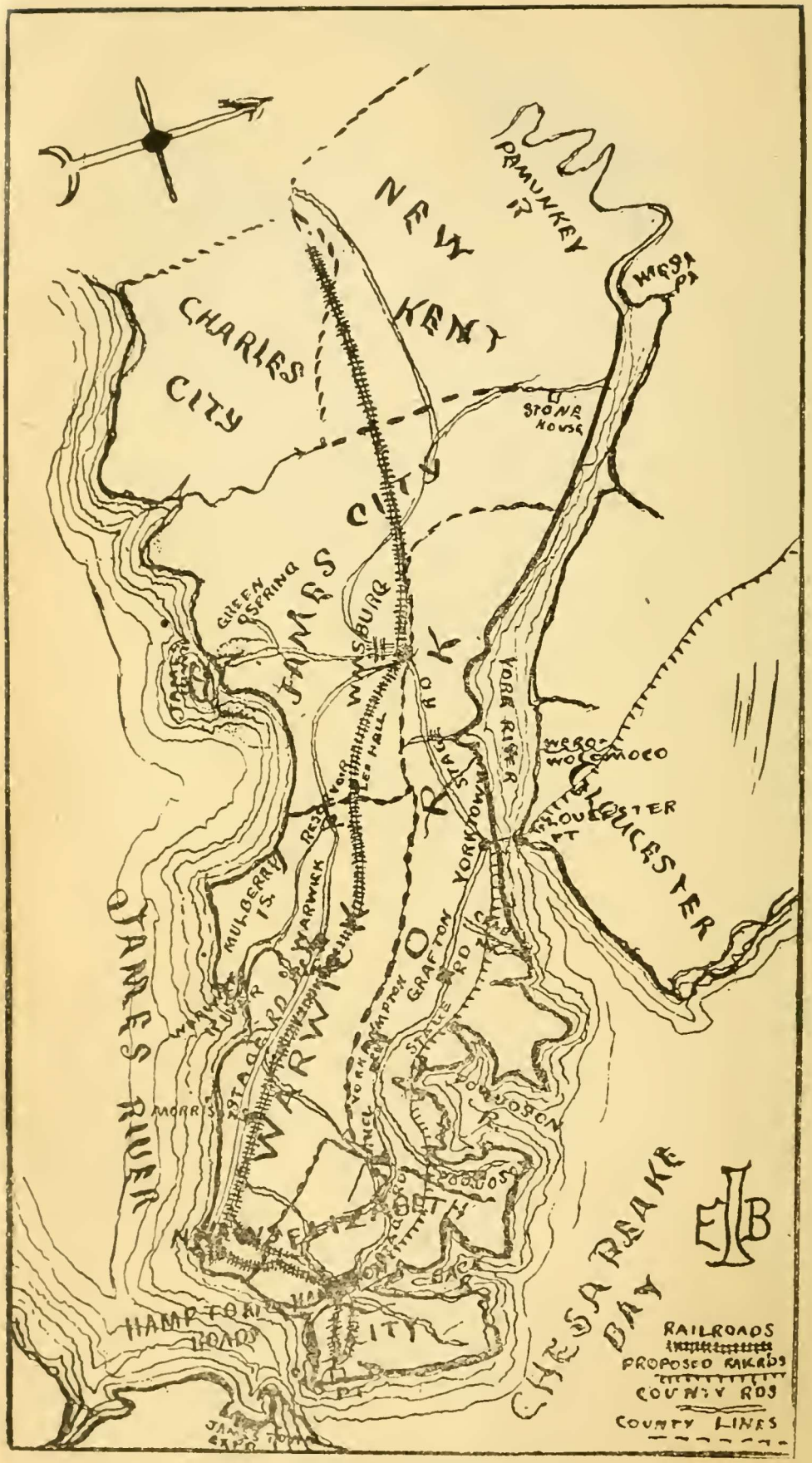

MAP OF THE PENISULA.

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miles, and from Malvern Hill three miles, is a most remarkable monument telling of a great flood, which for violence must have been quite similar to the great political revolution, which it preceded only a few years. It is a monolith, eight feet high and two feet square at its base, and bears the following inscription:

"The foundation of this pillar was laid in the calamitous year 1771 when all the great rivers of the country were swept by inundations never before experienced, which changed the face of nature, and left traces of its violence that will remain for ages."

Turkey Island is best reached by team from either Richmond or Roxbury.

THE TEMPLE.

On Temple Farm, one mile from Yorktown, are the remains of a peculiar structure, the origin of which, like the "Stone House," is lost in antiquity. In form it is not unlike a temple, thus obtaining that name. Tradition asserts that the surviving Knights the Golden Horseshoe, in memory of he who led them across the mountains, erected the structure as a mystic shrine, hallowing the resting place of Sir Alexander Spottiswood, whose remains are interred a few rods away.

A BROKEN SHAFT.

Lying near the shores of the Poquoson River, not far from Hunt's Wharf, could be seen, just prior to the Civil War, a shaft of white marble, broken six feet from its base, It contained no inscription but bore a heraldic device. The mystery surrounding its origin and final disappearance remains to day unsolved.

York-Hampton Parish Church.

There is a magisterial district in York County bearing the name of Poquoson (an attempt to Indian-ise the physical characteristic of the immediate section.) In the earliest colonial day it became a most desirable place for settlement, being within a few hours ride of Jamestown, and contiguous to Kecoughtan—afterwards Hampton—a rapidly growing colonial seaport.

Within a mile or two of where the road from Poquoson branches into the main stage road from Yorktown to Hampton, is the site of the old York-Hampton parish church. Many of the old tombs are still in existence and tell brief stories of some of colonial Virginia's illustrious dead. The place is overgrown and there is nothing now remaining to suggest the presence of a place of worship. It occupies a conspicuous place, however, in Meade's Old Churches, to whose pages the reader is invited for a more detailed description. In 1706 the parishes of York and Hampton were united and placed in charge of one minister. The site of this ancient church is twelve miles from Hampton and Yorktown, and within a quarter of a mile of Smithville, where for a number of years a tavern and stage relay was kept.

Two Forgotten Naval Heroes.

On the Pembroke farm, one mile from Hampton, are four ancient tombs, two of which are in memory of naval heroes of the colonial day. Another is that of the Rev. Mr. Andrew Thompson, born in Stonehenge, Eng., and who was minister of the parish spoken of in above article, and died Sept. 11, 1719, aged 46 years.

The first stone we shall describe is that of John